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SUBJ: GERMAN PUBLIC ATTITUDE TOWARDS NUCLEAR POWER
AND PROLIFERATION

REF: BONN 5460

1. FRG MINISTER FOR RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY MATTHOEFER
OUTLINED FRG NUCLEAR PROGRAM AND HIS MINISTRY'S
NUCLEAR PUBLIC INFORMATION ACTIVITIES IN AN ADDRESS
TO THE UNION OF EUROPEAN SCIENTIFIC JOURNALISTS ON
APRIL 7. QUESTIONS FOLLOWING SPEECH RAISED TOPIC OF
GERMAN SALES OF NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY TO BRAZIL--A
TOPIC NOT EVEN MENTIONED IN THE MINISTER'S ADDRESS.
HIS ANSWER WAS HIGHLIGHTED IN WIRE SERVICE REPORTS
WHICH DID NOT COMMENT ON ANY OTHER POINT RAISED IN THE
FORMAL STATEMENT.

2. MINISTER RESPONDED TO QUESTIONS AS FOLLOWS:

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IN THE LONG RUN, NO ONE COULD PREVENT THE SPREAD OF

NUCLEAR ENERGY PLANTS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, AND THUS
THE DANGER OF ATOMIC WEAPONS BEING PRODUCED. THE
GERMAN AGREEMENT WITH BRAZIL CLEARLY PROVIDED FOR
CHECKS BY THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY AND
WENT FURTHER THAN THIS IN PART.

3. FOREGOING REPORTED BY CABLE TO PLACE THE
INCIDENT IN ITS PROPER CONTEXT.
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